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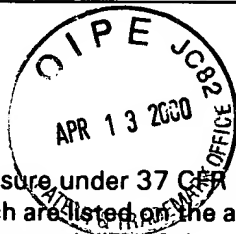
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In re Application of
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For: DETECTION SIGNAL CORRECTION METHOD AND DEVICE AS WELL AS SOLID-STATE DETECTOR FOR
USE THEREWITH

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem relevant to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents are submitted herewith.

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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations:

Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 7 (1995)-72256 is disclosed on page 4 in the specification of the above-identified application. Additionally, an English language abstract for Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 7 (1995)-72256 is attached.

Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 59 (1984)-211263 is disclosed on page 17 in the specification of the above-identified application. Additionally, Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 59 (1984)-211263 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 4,803,359, which is submitted herewith.

Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 2 (1990)-164067 is disclosed on page 17 in the specification of the above-identified application. Additionally, an English language abstract for Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 2 (1990)-164067 is attached.

PCT International Publication No. WO92/06501 is disclosed on page 17 in the specification of the above-identified application. Additionally, PCT International Publication No. WO92/06501 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 5,187,369, which is submitted herewith.

Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 1 (1989)-216290 is disclosed on page 18 in the specification of the above-identified application. Additionally, an English language abstract for Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 1 (1989)-216290 is attached.

Japanese Patent Application No. 10 (1998)-232824 is disclosed on page 19 in the specification of the above-identified application.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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